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## A posthumous tribute to island tourism legend Ike Cohen on his 100th birthday



**Ike with Ed Malone at his Mega 95th Birthday bash**

The story of an icon of Aruba's tourism industry, Ike Cohen, who passed away in 2007, is recounted in a book by local historian Evert Bongers. It is a tribute to many such individuals, which was published two years ago, on the 50th anniversary of what was officially marked as the starting point of tourism on Aruba, the opening of the Royal Caribbean Resort on Palm Beach.

However, long before they ever broke ground for the first Palm Beach resort, Izaak "Ike"

Cohen, a Holocaust survivor, came to Aruba and saw the potential of the island as a vacation destination. He took over a small resort built on the eastern outskirts of Oranjestad and reopened it as the Talk of the Town; a name that became synonymous with quality service and excellent cuisine.

Eventually, in the late sixties he opened the Manchebo Beach Resort and the French Steakhouse, another cozy place which earned that same reputation and a dedicated clientele. He also opened

Galloway, which still is the primary caterer for airlines, and TEC, a successful importation agency. Ike was the first President of the Aruba Hotel and Tourism Association, AHATA, which forged the important public/private partnership that insured the success of the island's tourism industry.

Upon attaining his landmark 90th birthday, Ike began a tradition of throwing a huge bash at the Manchebo Beach Resort where islanders gladly paid to enjoy an evening of



**Rene Kan, Chairman of the Ike Cohen Foundation**

fine food, great fun and top island entertainment. The proceeds from what became an



**Prime Minister Eman with Ike's youngest daughter Ree**

annual tradition, were then distributed to various charities by the Ike Cohen Foundation, which still continues his policy

of giving back to the community, even after his death.

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## Exit polls: Leftist Humala set to win Peru presidency

LIMA, Peru (AFP) - Leftist ex-military man Ollanta Humala looked set to win Peru's presidency, as exit polls gave him a 5-5.4 percentage point lead over Keiko Fujimori, daughter of ex-president Alberto Fujimori who is jailed for rights abuses.

Humala won between 52.5 and 52.7 percent of the vote compared to 47.3-47.5 percent for Fujimori, according to exit polls by three companies.



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## Officials: Bean sprouts might be responsible for bacteria

HANOVER, German (AFP) - Bean sprouts are suspected of being at the root of a deadly E. coli outbreak which has killed 22 people, mainly in Germany, the agriculture minister from the German state of Lower-Saxony said yesterday.

There was no definite proof as yet, but "a connection has been found involving all the main outbreaks" of the disease which has also left more than 2,000 people ill, Gert Lindemann, who is also responsible for consumer affairs, told a news conference.

News of the possible breakthrough came as the death toll climbed to 22, with the latest figures from the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) adding three victims to the previously confirmed 19.

All but one of the deaths occurred in Germany, the



source of the enterohaemorrhagic E. coli (EHEC) outbreak which has affected a dozen countries. The other victim died in Sweden.

Initial test results from a farm producing the bean sprouts, on the outskirts of Lueneburg, in northern Germany, showed contamination by the bacteria, the minister said, adding that two people working there had fallen ill.

"It is significant that two women employees from the firm are ill with diarrhea, and in one case EHEC has been di-

agnosed," the minister said.

Early indications are that the farm "is at least one of the sources of contamination," he added.

The bean sprouts are from a variety of products, including lettuce, azuki beans, mung beans, fenugreek, alfalfa and lentils, his ministry said in a statement. Some had been imported from abroad.

The sprouts grow in "temperatures of 37 degrees celsius which is ideal for all bacteria," the minister added.

The farm involved in producing them is located in the small village of Bienenbuetel, some 80 kilometres (50 miles) south of Hamburg, one of the main cities hit by the bacteria outbreak.

Further test results will be announced today, the agriculture ministry added.

## Colombia: FARC security chief killed



Alirio Rojas Bocanegra

BOGOTA, Colombia (AFP) - The Colombian army announced on the weekend it has killed the security chief of the Marxist FARC group's top commander, in what officials claim is a blow against the guerrillas.

Alirio Rojas Bocanegra, known as "The Grandfather," headed the FARC's Central Block tasked with guarding

Alfonso Cano, who took over as leader of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia after its founder Manuel Marulanda Velez was killed in 2008.

President Juan Manuel Santos praised the military operation that took place in western Colombia, and used tough talk in pledging to make further inroads against the rebel movement he has described as "narco-terrorists."

"We are dealing with FARC central command in a systematic way: they put up a leader, and we take him down," Santos said during a public appearance in Sincelejo, in northern Colombia.

Meanwhile, Defense Minister Rodrigo Rivero, told reporters that the army is "increasingly close to Alfonso Cano, and we are shutting down all fronts of action and mobilization."

## Lagarde likely to be next IMF chief, according to report



TOKYO, Japan - French Finance Minister Christine Lagarde will likely become the next head of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), with backing of the United States and Japan, the Nikkei financial daily reported late yesterday, citing unidentified global financial industry sources in Washington.

The United States, which has the largest share of votes in the IMF, the main institution overseeing global financial stability, and second biggest voter Japan are expected to officially endorse Lagarde as early as June 10 when the nomination

process closes, Japan's Nikkei said.

Japanese officials were not available for comment. Finance Minister Yoshihiko Noda has only said a new IMF chief should be selected through an open, transparent and merit-based process.

Emerging market countries argue that their increasing influence in the global economy, with China and India the world's fastest-growing nations, should give them a stab at the IMF top post, which has traditionally gone to a European.

Mexican central bank governor Agustín Carstens has also been nominated to succeed Dominique Strauss-Kahn, who resigned on May 18, but he lacks broad support.

The IMF has a June 30 deadline to pick a successor to Strauss-Kahn. The IMF board has said it hoped member countries would agree through consensus on a candidate although it could go to a vote.



**RININAHUE, Chile** -- A shepherd walks with his cows in the village of Rininahue as a cloud of ash billows from Puyehue volcano in southern Chile, 870 km south of Santiago, on June 5, 2011. Puyehue volcano erupted for the first time in half a century on June 4 prompting evacuations for 3,500 people as it sent a cloud of ash that reached Argentina. The National Service of Geology and Mining said the explosion that sparked the eruption also produced a column of gas 10 kilometers (six miles) high, hours after warning of strong seismic activity in the area. **AFP PHOTO**

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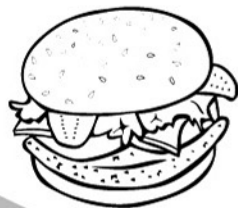
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## Alternative Energy for all Aruban Homes: How soon?

The word is out; many Arubans have their ears perked at the development surrounding alternative energy. Everyone here is keenly interested, because they want a quick solution to the dilemma of the high monthly utility bills. The government is obviously doing its utmost to reduce the cost of the production of water and electricity, and we applaud this!

The trend toward homes that are powered by alternative energy sources, ranging from wind turbines and solar collection cells to hydrogen fuel cells and biomass gases, is one that has gotten increased attention from the onset of this 21st century. This matter is news worthy almost on a daily basis in countries all across the globe! The world has a great need for becoming more energy independent, and not having to rely on the supply of petroleum or other fuels from unstable nations who are often hostile to us and to our interests. But even beyond this factor, we as individuals need to become more independent ourselves. We, individually, need to stop being so reliant on the energy production company that, while they seem to be working hard towards reducing the cost, nevertheless appears to have a stronghold on us when it comes to the here-to-stay "brandstofclausule" (energy surcharge).

I am of the opinion that there are clear indications based on the current trends that, inevitably, the growth of the implementation of alternative energy sources for home and commercial use will lead

to the restructuring of the retail electricity market and the generation, transmission and distribution infrastructure. Our national energy production company needs to take stock of this reality, which I believe is going to take place sooner than can be expected....perhaps in the next 10 years or even earlier! Our electricity provider will have to diversify their business to make up for revenues lost through household energy micro generation.

In a recent study by a group called Carbon Free in the United Kingdom, they concluded that because of the rising cost of oil and other fossil fuels and the concern about the environment and the desire to be energy independent, there will be an overwhelming shift to energy independence worldwide! This trend is already very evident in England and in many countries in the West where there is a growing increase in alternative energy-using homes. This simply means that micro generation (meeting your own home energy needs by installing alternative energy technology – solar panels, wind mills; will become to home energy supply what the Internet became to home communications little over 2 decades ago!

You can well imagine what kind of serious negative effect this will have on our energy producing companies around the world, including our own local company! No wonder that our local company wants to provide the alternative energy product for us, rather than have you provide your own!

Well, as we say in Dutch,...

"dat gunnen wij je ook!" Meaning, there should be no objection to this, we must allow it. Our local energy producer should explore ways to leverage micro generation to their own advantage and open new markets to keep the company viable.

My recent research indicates that the sale price of imported solar panels and wind turbines by local companies are still extremely high and way above the budget of the average person living here. Ironically, the very people, who make up about 55% of the work force here, who most need help with their high energy bills, will never be able to purchase solar panels or a wind turbine at the going prices for these locally! Many smart people are searching the web for cheaper prices. There are many less expensive reputable companies with solid guarantees on the Net selling solar panels and wind mills! Notwithstanding, I wholeheartedly believe in supporting our own local companies....but they have to do better with their pricing. Our local companies would do well to begin dropping their prices on solar panels and wind turbines or they could soon find themselves losing market share.

Aruba has one of the best climates for either or both solar panels and wind turbines. And, it is only a matter of time; I predict with the speed of the developments, within 10 years or less that almost every household will be independently producing their own energy.

Give me your feedback or any queries: [tonygreen.morningnews@hotmail.com](mailto:tonygreen.morningnews@hotmail.com) thanks.

## Hurricane forecasters eyeing strengthening storm in the Caribbean



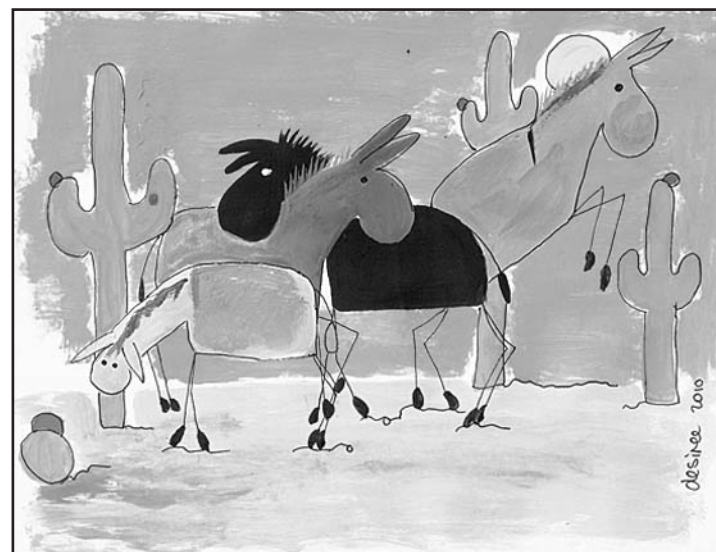
A gradually developing storm in the Caribbean has a 40 percent chance of strengthening into this year's first tropical hurricane during the next 48 hours, the National Hurricane Center reported.

An Air Force Reserve reconnaissance aircraft will investigate the storm this

afternoon, if necessary.

This low-pressure system is located about 150 miles southwest of Jamaica.

Weather forecasters warn that the storm may trigger flash floods and mudslides in Haiti and Jamaica as it slowly moves northward over the next few days



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## Ayaan Hirsi Ali five months pregnant



Ayaan Hirsi Ali is five months pregnant with a child fathered by British historian Niall Ferguson, says British newspaper the Daily Mail.

The 41-year-old Dutch-Somali anti-Islam activist is reported to have told friends in the United States, where she is currently living.

Hirsi Ali has acknowledged a romantic connection with the British historian, whom she met in 2009 at a party given by Time Magazine for the 100 most influential people in the

world.

Ferguson, 47, is married and has three children but does not live with his family. He teaches at Harvard University and the London School of Economics.

The former MP for the conservative VVD party has never made a secret of her wish to have children.

In My freedom, a book she published four years ago, she included a letter to her "unborn daughter". In it, she writes of her struggle with the question whether she should marry her child's father or not.

She says she regards having a child as an egoistic choice, motivated only by her wish to enrich her own life.

In the book she describes asking a doctor to freeze her egg cells, something he refused on the grounds that she was still in good health.

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Ed Malone, Myrna Jansen and Jim Hepple

On Friday, June 3, Ike's family members, shareholders in his companies, CEO of his umbrella corporation in Tallahassee, Florida, Bill Chrona, and long time friends gathered in the Pavilion at the Manchebo Beach Resort to mark the occasion of the centennial celebration of his birth on June 2. His close friend for

decades and often co-conspirator in many of his charitable ventures, Rona Coster, acted as MC for the evening. Ike's eldest child, Tommy, shared some early memories and anecdotes of his father that demonstrated



Ike's corporate CEO Bill Crona with wife Jane



Gm's of the Aruba properties, Ramon Kervel, Debbie St Laurent and Edgar Roelofs



Ike's son Tommy and daughter Yvonne

on this 100th anniversary of Ike's birthday, the government of Aruba has decided to erect a memorial to the man who left a distinctive mark on its tourism industry; suitably, in the new plaza under construction directly opposite from where it all started: the Talk of the Town Resort. This project is expected to be completed within six months.

"Ike was a man who wherever he put his hand in Aruba, changed things for the better; he saw suffering and tried to heal it" concluded the Prime Minister in his tribute to Ike.

The evening was punctuated by a special visit from Aruba's Prime Minister, Mike Eman, who was proud to announce that

by Rosalie Klein



Grandson David with mom Vicky

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## The Palm Beach Plaza Mall Showcases the Latin Circus Show



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who is transformed into a princess in spite of opposition, from an evil, fire spitting wizard.

The magical spectacle, in which the beautiful princess wins her crown, had the youngsters in the audience spell-bound, glued to the stage, while the adults were operating their cameras with great enthusiasm.

The Palm Beach Plaza Mall aims to entertain and thrill visitors with live entertainment, says mall manager Alex Otterspeer. With gift and accessory shopping, fine dining, cinemas, jewelry boutiques, fashion clothes and shoes, kid' fun city, a food court, Flow Rider, and the latest addition, the island's best Italian gelato at Gelato Planet, Palm Beach Plaza Mall receives visitors, from 10am to 10pm and on Sunday from 5pm to 10pm, with plenty of free parking, within walking distance of all the high-rise resorts.





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## Sci-Tech

# Scientists close in on antimatter

PARIS (AFP) — Scientists said Sunday they had trapped and stored antihydrogen atoms for a record 16 minutes, a stunning technical feat that promises deeper insights into the mysteries of antimatter.

Particles and anti-particles annihilate each other in a small flash of energy when they collide.

At the moment of the big bang, nearly 14 billion years ago, matter and antimatter are thought to have existed in equal quantities. If that balance had persisted, the observable Universe we inhabit would never have come into being.

For unknown reasons -- and fortunately for us -- Nature seemed to have a slight preference for matter, and today antimatter is rare.

This asymmetry remains one of the greatest riddles in particle physics.

Ongoing low-energy experiments with hydrogen atoms could be a key step toward solving it.

"We can keep the antihydrogen atoms trapped for 1,000 seconds. This is long enough to begin to study them -- even with the small number that we can catch so far," said Jeffrey Hangst, spokesman for the ALPHA team conducting the tests at the European Organisation for Nuclear Research (CERN) in Geneva.

In the study, published in

the journal Nature Physics, researchers report trapping some 300 antiatoms.

Scientists used CERN's high-energy accelerator to create the antihydrogen atoms, and then chilled them to near-zero temperatures.

The aim is to use laser and microwave spectroscopy to compare the immobilised particles to their hydrogen counterparts.

The same team succeeded last fall in trapping dozens of antimatter atoms and holding them in place for a fraction of a second, a world first at the time.

But that was not long enough for the excitable particles to settle into the stable "ground" state needed for precise measurements.

The new benchmark extended this storage time 5,000 fold, making it possible to carry out crucial experiments.

Scientists will now look for "violations" or discrepancies in something called the charge-parity-time reversal (CPT) symmetry.

CPT says that a particle moving forward through time in our universe should be indistinguishable from an antiparticle moving backwards through time in a mirror universe.

According to this rule, hydrogen and antihydrogen, in other words, should have exactly the same spectral profile.

"Any hint of CPT symmetry breaking would require a serious rethink of our understanding of nature," Hangst in a statement.

"But half the universe has gone missing, so some kind of rethink is apparently on the agenda."

The absence of any solid theoretical prediction of how CPT-violation will occur -- or, indeed, if it will happen at all -- suggests to what extent the experiments will be breaking new ground.

The "C" of CPT involves swapping the electric charges of the particles. "P" for parity "is like looking in the mirror," CERN explained in a press release. And "T" means reversing the trajectory of time.

Measurements of trapped antihydrogen are due to get underway shortly, and could yield results before the end of the year.

"If you hit the trapped antihydrogen atoms with just the right microwave frequency, they will escape from the trap and we can detect the annihilation," Hangst said.

"It will be the first time anybody has interacted with antiatoms to probe their structure."

The ability to store bits of antimatter for a quarter of an hour -- far longer than researchers expected -- could also provide a new way to measure how they are influenced by gravity, Hangst added.

# Website of Nintendo's US subsidiary hacked: report

TOKYO (AFP) — A website operated by the US subsidiary of Japanese videogame maker Nintendo was hacked several weeks ago, but no personal information was stolen, a report said Sunday.

The entertainment giant, a producer of popular DS

handheld game players and the Wii game console, said some of the information hacked from its server was published on the Internet, Kyodo News said, citing unnamed company sources.

A Nintendo spokesman could not be reached to comment on the report.

# Blockbusters rule E3 video game kingdom

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) — Blockbuster titles and powerhouse consoles will rule as video game makers from around the world meet in Los Angeles this week for the premier Electronic Entertainment Expo (E3).

Hotly anticipated games will build on established franchises with slick play mechanics, film-like graphics and increasing sensitivity to how much people love playing online with friends or on the go with mobile devices.

"E3 will be a strange combination of everything from blockbuster retail games like 'Call of Duty' and 'Battlefield' all the way down to apps, social games, and digital downloads," said TechSavvy Global analyst Scott Steinberg.

The latest installments of "Call of Duty: Modern Warfare" and "Battlefield" will duke it out for the hearts of hardcore shooter fans.

The third chapter in a "Mass Effect" science fiction action game promises a glorious finale to the trilogy. Glimpses will also be provided of new editions of hits "Prototype," "InFAMOUS," "Drake's Uncharted" and "Batman."

French video game titan Ubisoft will continue an "Assassin's Creed" saga set in Italy during the Renaissance and introduce new antics for its zany "Raving Rabbids."

"Like the film industry, people want the big budget, everything-thrown-at-it experience and they also want the American Idol show," said Martin Rae, president of non-profit industry group Academy of Interactive Arts & Sciences.

The onus is on game makers to deliver must-have titles for play using motion sensing controls recently added to Microsoft Xbox 360 and Sony PlayStation 3 consoles.

# Rainforest basin nations agree to tackle deforestation

BRAZZAVILLE (AFP) — The 32 countries sharing the world's three largest rainforest basins agreed this past weekend to cooperate in tackling deforestation and called on industrialised nations to help finance their efforts.

The agreement came in a declaration at the end of a first meeting in the Congolese capital Brazzaville of experts from the Congo Basin in Central Africa, South America's Amazon Basin and the Borneo-

Mekong Basin in South-East Asia.

The three basins represent 80 percent of the world's rainforests and two-thirds of its biodiversity, according to experts.

Participating nations agreed in a declaration to "put forward their common interest in the framework of different multilateral forums" and to "adopt concrete measures to promote dialogue and cooperation between countries."

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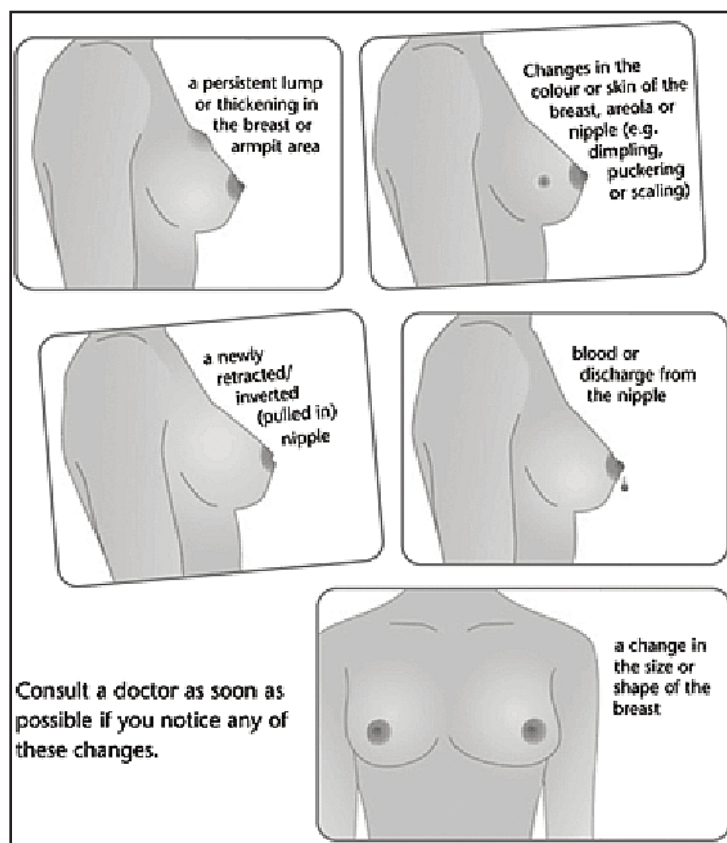
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## Health &amp; Living

## Progress in fight against cancer of ovaries, breasts



Breast cancer symptoms

CHICAGO, Illinois (AFP) — Significant progress is being made in the prevention and treatment of ovarian and breast cancer, according to findings discussed at a global oncology conference.

"The studies presented at this meeting show impressive progress in disease control and prevention of breast cancer," said Dr. Andrew Seidman, professor of medicine at Cornell University.

"Also, two consistent studies demonstrated the benefit of adding bevacizumab (Avastin) to standard chemotherapy for ovarian cancer," he added.

Avastin, produced by Swiss biotech giant Roche, blocks the development of blood vessels needed for tumor growth.

A clinical trial showed a 52 percent reduction in the risk of progression of recurrent ovarian cancer in women who took Avastin in combination with platinum-based chemotherapy.

The most striking finding at the 47th annual meeting of

the American Society of Clinical Oncology was that Aromasin, which blocks the production of estrogen, reduced by 65 percent the risk of breast cancer in high risk postmenopausal women.

Close to three-quarters of breast cancer tumors need estrogen to grow.

Annually, there are 1.3 million new cases of breast cancer and nearly 500,000 women die worldwide. In the United States, only lung cancer accounts for more deaths in women.

Paul Goss of Harvard Medical School and lead author of the study on exemestane -- sold under the brand name Aromasin -- said it's the "first major clinical trial" in the past 10 years on breast cancer prevention.

"Exemestane may be considered a new option for the prevention of breast cancer," Goss said during a press conference.

The clinical study was conducted from 2004 to 2010 and enrolled 4,560 women from

the United States, Canada, Spain and France who had at least one major risk factor such as being age 60 or older, or having prior breast cancer tumors, including breast cancer with mastectomy.

Half the participants received Aromasin, produced by US pharmaceutical giant Pfizer, and half were given a placebo.

After a period of three years, the Aromasin group had about one third as many invasive cancers as those in the placebo group -- a result corresponding to what researchers expected at the beginning of the trial, Goss said.

Aromastate inhibitors like exemestane are distinct from other anti-estrogen therapies such as tamoxifen and raloxifene, which have been approved by the US Food and Drug Administration as preventative therapies for women at high breast cancer risk.

Exemestane, too, has been approved by the FDA, for use in early breast cancer patients.

The most common side effects reported by Aromasin users include fatigue, hot flashes, insomnia and joint pain.

Researchers also said extra radiation treatment lowers the rate of breast cancer recurring in women who have had tumors surgically removed.

More than 1,800 women participated, receiving whole breast radiation (WBI) alone or WBI along with radiation to the surrounding lymph nodes.

Five years later, women who received radiation treatment to the breast and lymph nodes had a 41 percent lower rate of recurrences near the tumor site and a 36 percent lower rate of cancer recurrences in other parts of the body.

"These results are potentially practice-changing," said Timothy Whelan, an oncology professor at McMaster University of Canada and lead author of the clinical study.

ing new drug.

The study is the first to show that combining chemotherapy and an immune-system treatment is safe and effective for patients with advanced melanoma.

And it is the second major trial to show Yervoy, a new type of immunotherapy, can

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### That is why:

- It is important to understand cholesterol levels, as they are an indication a subject is at risk for a stroke.
- For most persons the combination of HDL (good cholesterol) and LDL (bad cholesterol) must be below 200.
- Maintain cholesterol at a healthy level by eating a low fat diet combined with daily exercises.
- Ask the physician how to improve your cholesterol level.



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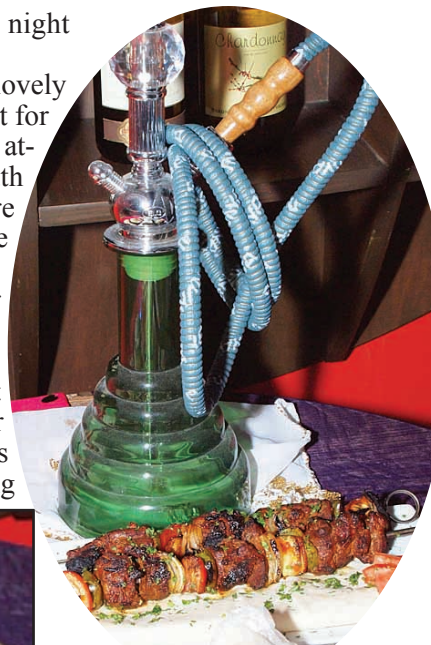


**A true taste of the Middle East**

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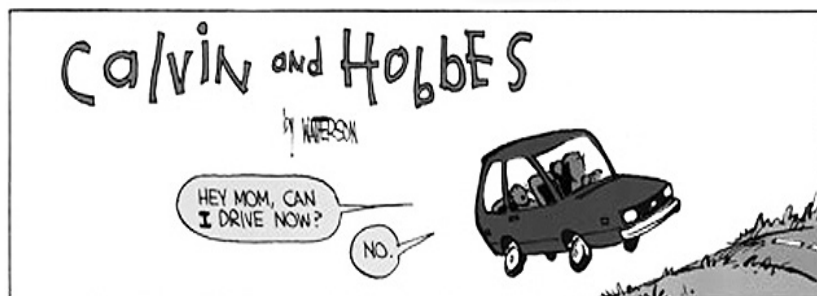
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*by Rosalie Klein*



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9. Middies' school (abbr.)

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13. Swimming star Williams

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24. Witness

26. Deep hole

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28. — jockey

30. Fifties musical style

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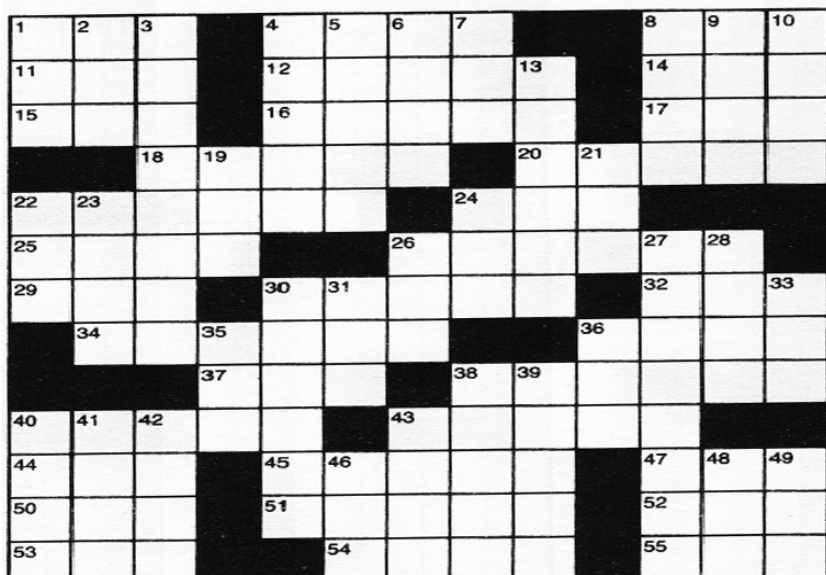
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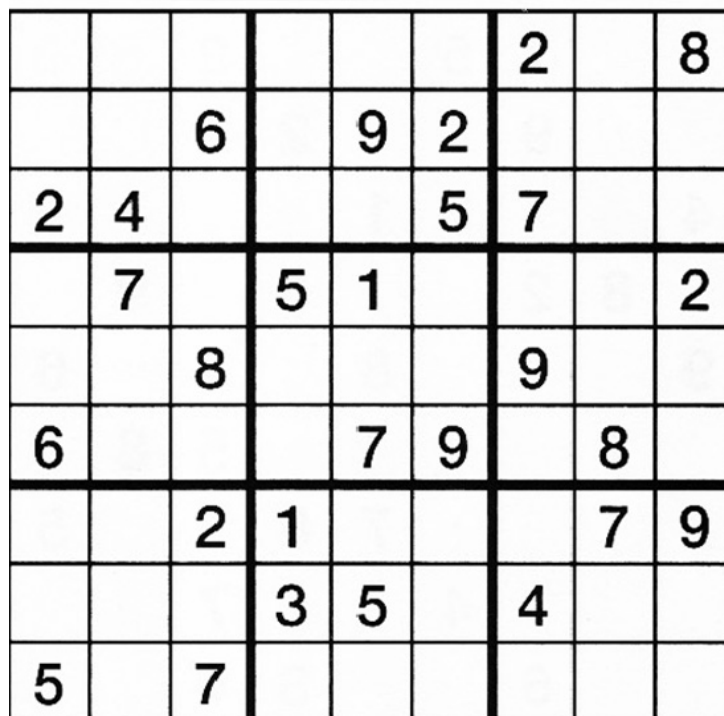
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9	6	2	9	8	8	1	7	2
9	1	8	2	6	7	9	8	2
8	7	2	1	9	2	9	6	8

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## Finance

### Boeing to cut 510 jobs as Shuttle program winds down



-- Boeing Co. will lay off about 510 employees in its Space Exploration division as the United States' space shuttle program draws to a close.

There will be no material impact on the company as a result of the job cuts, a spokesman for Boeing's Space Exploration division said.

The last workday for workers is scheduled to be August 5, pending completion of the final shuttle mission, the company said in a statement.

The United States is retiring its three-ship fleet due to high operating costs and to free up funds to develop new spacecraft that can travel beyond the space station's 220-mile-high (346-km-high) orbit.

Earlier this week, space shuttle Endeavour touched down at its Florida home base, ending the next-to-last mission in the space shuttle program.

Shuttle Atlantis is slated to launch on July 8 on NASA's final planned shuttle mission.

### \$40 billion needed to ensure transition to green economy

NAIROBI, Kenya (AFP) - Investing \$40 billion annually in the forest sector is needed for the world to transition into a low carbon, resource-efficient green economy, according to a UN report released here yesterday.

The additional investment "could halve deforestation rates by 2030, increase rates of tree planting by around 140 per cent by 2050," said the report published by the Nairobi-based United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

"Carefully planned investments would also contribute to increased employment from 25 million today to 30 million by 2050," it also added.

The cost of ensuring a green transition would equal \$40 billion a year or around 0.034 per cent of global GDP, the report said.

Such an investment, equivalent to about two-thirds more than what is currently spent on the sector, would also remove an extra 28 per cent of carbon from the atmosphere, the Nairobi-based UNEP said.

Earlier this week the UNEP warned that fires, felling and agriculture are whittling Europe's forests down into isolated patches, threatening to speed up desertification and deplete wildlife.

## Increase Profits by Getting Rid of Bad Customers

by Ken Varga

We have all heard the saying, "The Customer is Always Right." Well, I disagree with that statement. Customers are not always right.

Great Customers are the ones who contribute to the bottom line of your company. A great percentage of your customers occupy a great part of your time, but little to your bottom line. You must determine who they are and then get rid of them. If you don't, it will harm you in the long run.

How and what do you do about those customers who seem like more trouble than they are worth?

Each business has customers who know what they want, value your input, and pay their bills on time. The real question is, "Can all customers be educated to become a productive part of your company."

The first thing you should do is to identify your most difficult customers. You know who they are. They constantly complain, are slow to pay, and always want more than you both initially agreed to.

Many businesses carry un-

profitable customers without knowing that they are carrying them. Here's a suggestion...

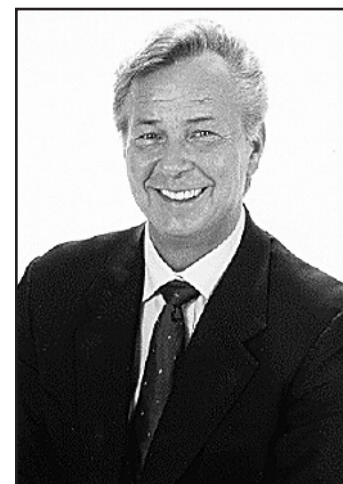
Every year or so, complete a customer evaluation to decide which ones you should convince to cease doing business with you, so that you can continue to grow. There are companies who can help you with this, where they will profile your customers and help you determine those you should cease doing business with you.

Once you have determined who those customers are, you could try to convert them into profitable ones by using the following:

1. Change your relationship with them from a position of weakness to one that is powerful.

2. Increase your prices. If you lose an unprofitable one this way, it saves you the pain of doing it yourself.

3. Lastly, give your customer a choice of options to see if you can move them into a better relationship that results in a profit for you. For example: Instead of saying, "Would



Ken Varga

you like this item, yes or no?" ask: "Would you like option one, two, three or four?"

Don't be afraid to determine which customers are not profitable and more trouble than they are worth. Once you have done this, then cut them loose.

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### Saudi to push OPEC to lift oil output, cut prices

VIENNA, Austria - Gulf Arab OPEC members led by Saudi Arabia will push for an increase in supplies at a meeting of the oil cartel this week in an effort to support flagging world economic growth by bringing crude prices back below \$100 a barrel.

Data indicating that economic recovery may be stalling in the West is worrying OPEC's core Gulf members Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

Saudi and its fellow Gulf producers will argue that oil prices are undermining the economic growth that fuels demand for OPEC crude and that more supply is needed to balance demand in the second half of the year.

But Riyadh is not prepared to force-feed crude on to the market to push prices aggressively lower.

"We need to increase by at

least one million barrels a day," a Gulf OPEC delegate said in Vienna Sunday. "We're not happy with current prices."

"We want to meet growing demand in the second half of the year without flooding the market," said a delegate from another Gulf country.

Global benchmark Brent crude was valued just below \$116 a barrel Friday having risen from \$90 a barrel when OPEC last met in December and decided to do nothing.

Saudi Oil Minister Ali al-Naimi, the first minister to arrive in Vienna for Wednesday's meeting of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, had no comment for waiting reporters.

But his presence in the Austrian capital so early, along with delegates from fellow Gulf Arab nations, will permit an early exchange of views today among those countries

who are normally most doveish on prices.

They may face opposition from OPEC's leading price hawks, Iran and Venezuela, who argue high prices are justified and that, in any case, OPEC is powerless to prevent speculators controlling price direction.

### YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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## Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



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"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

Staying at Gold Coast is a very attractive proposition for those traveling with groups that would require multiple hotel rooms. Two and three bedroom Villas or Town Homes accommodate large numbers and offer extensive amenities along with a final cost resulting in considerable savings. The community is minutes to the best beaches and all the casino action, and offers a quiet and secluded getaway with two swimming pools and specialized services with more on the way, such as a fitness room, tennis courts and mini-mall. Ed can arrange maid service, babysitters, caterers, airline pick-up and drop-off;

they even boast a shopping service to stock your shelves before arrival.

Gold Coast accommodations are elegant and spacious, offering privacy for parents or a few couples. Beautifully appointed

net connection, individual washer/dryer, and are fully air-conditioned. Cribs, high chairs and hair dryers are available for a modest fee. Concierge services to arrange rental cars, spa appointments, activities and restau-



kitchens and bathrooms grace each abode; barbecues and lounges are provided for friendly cookouts and truly savoring the island life. All homes come with cable TV, high-speed fiber-optic Inter-

net reservations are all part of the package.

Check-in for your holiday escape is conducted in the comfort of your vacation home, not while waiting on line at check-in desk. In every way, Gold Coast seeks to pamper their guests while providing them with the feeling of being in a cozy community, not the normally bustling resort, particularly experienced during the major holidays. If you wish an optimal vacation experience with great savings, visit their website: [www.goldcoastaruba.com](http://www.goldcoastaruba.com) to get acquainted with the community and the layout, details and availability of accommodations, or call 586-2200 to talk personally to a Gold Coast representative.



## A must see while on Aruba!

### Rodger's Beach



Near the southern tip of Aruba is an area known as Roger's Beach. Crescent shaped, it curves out to the Caribbean, creating a handsome lagoon of bath-warm water. At the far end of the beach are a few small docks where fisherman moor their boats.

Some of the best views of Rogers Beach actually can be found underwater. This is not

close, it does not affect the water or beach in any way. They have it so none of the water is polluted whatsoever. This is not in view at all times, so you do not have to worry about having it right in the middle of all your photos.

What makes Rogers Beach a nice beach to go to for the day is that it is so secluded from the rest of the island. It is



because the views on land are not great because they are spectacular. It is just what is in the water that makes it better. This beach actually is in reef-protected water, so you have to snorkel if you go to this beach. You will be missing half the view if you do not. You can find this beauty near the southern tip of the island near Sint Nicolaas. Just like the rest of the Aruban beaches, this beach offers clear blue water and white powdery sand.

An interesting aspect of Rogers Beach is how it is situated. Part of the beach actually curves out into the Caribbean, which forms a lagoon with such warm water. It is a sight to see, as well as feel the marvelous water. Because it is at the southern tip of the island, you will be able to see the oil refinery off in the distance from the beach. Although it is

near Baby Beach, but that is about it. The majority of Aruba's beaches all can be found on the western side of the island, so you will not have as much traffic here as other places. They are worth the trip though, so do not be fooled by the small number of people there. Sometimes that makes for the best trips. You will find some great swimming in these waters.

Although you will not be able to stay at Rogers Beach because there are not any resorts or hotels, it is a short drive regardless of where you are staying. Aruba is such a small island that, even though the beach is on the other end, you are not even an hour away. If you want to see all of what Aruba has to offer, a trip to this side of the island is a must. The snorkeling will be great here.





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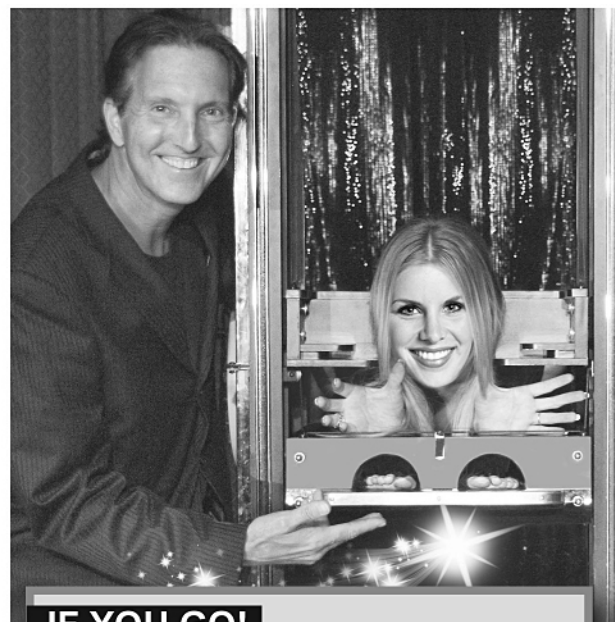
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## "Miracle on the Hudson" plane departs for museum



NEW YORK CITY — The U.S. Airways airplane that made a splash-landing dubbed the "Miracle on the Hudson" more than two years ago began a road trip on Saturday to Charlotte, North Carolina, its original, and final, destination.

The Airbus A320 airplane, which had sat in a New Jersey warehouse since it was salvaged from the icy Hudson River after the January 2009 water landing, was loaded onto a trailer earlier this week.

All 155 passengers and crew survived the incident that made pilot Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger an American hero for his quick-thinking decision to land in the river when the

airplane struck a flock of birds just after take-off from New York's LaGuardia airport and lost power in both engines.

The plane will make its way over several days to Charlotte, where it will become a permanent exhibit at the Carolinas Aviation Museum.

The museum was tracking the journey, originally announced to begin today, through the streets of New Jersey and beyond, on Twitter at @CarolinAirMuseum.

Museum president Shawn Dorsch, who called the plane "a major international aviation icon," said it would take several months to reassemble the aircraft.

## Saggy pants mean no ride on one Texas bus system

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — Don't get on the bus in Ft. Worth, Texas, if you're not properly dressed.

The Ft. Worth Transportation Authority, known as "The T," has implemented a new policy that prohibits any passenger from boarding a bus with "saggy" pants that expose the person's underwear or buttocks.

"Riders don't want to see a person dressed like that on a public bus," Joan Hunter, communications manager for The T, said. "Our customers think it's disrespectful."

So up went signs in city buses, reading "Pull 'em up or find another ride."

The saggy pants look has been around for more than a decade, tracing its roots to prison attire because inmates are not issued belts. It spread to the rap and hip-hop music community, and from there became a popular symbol of freedom and cultural awareness for many young people.

## At Colombia Fifth Int'l. Tattoo Convention



Photo above shows a tattoo in the head of a man during the Fifth International Tattoo Convention in Bogota, Colombia on June 4, 2011.

Photo at right is of Mexican tattoo artist and trained lawyer Maria Jose Cristerna, known as "Vampire Woman."

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## China exults at first Slam championship



BEIJING (AFP) - China rejoiced Sunday after Li Na's French Open triumph brought Asia its first Grand Slam singles win, sparking confident predictions of a new dawn for the game in the world's most populous nation.

The Chinese blogosphere lit up in adulation and newspapers splashed Li's beaming face across their front pages after the 29-year-old from Wuhan beat defending champion Francesca Schiavone of Italy 6-4, 7-6 (7/0) on Saturday.

"Li Na makes history!" the China Daily blared. "Her triumph is expected to provide a major push to a sport already rising fast in China."

Tennis in China is still largely the preserve of the well-heeled, but the sense of national pride was unmistakable at this latest declaration of the country's growing might on the world stage.

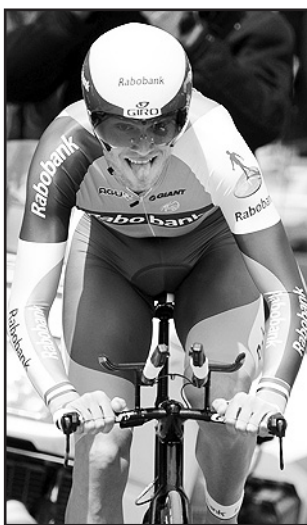
National broadcaster CCTV televised the match live to tens of millions of viewers across the country of more than 1.3 billion, and at the climax plastered a graphic on the screen which read: "Li Na, we love you!"

In an online survey by top Internet portal Sina.com, 44 percent of more than 100,000 respondents said they had cried at Li's victory, which the website described as the "pride of China and of Asia".

In a pulsating Beijing sports bar late Saturday, Li's accomplishment won over those who admitted they were less than tennis-savvy.

"I'm very happy. I'm Chinese, she is Chinese. I don't really understand the game but I am very happy," said 27-year-old Gao Lei.

## Boom starts Dauphine with a bang



SAINT-JEAN-DE-MAURIE (AFP) - Flying Dutchman Lars Boom powered to the overall lead of the Criterium du Dauphine stage race after dominating his rivals in the opening prologue held over 5.4 km here Sunday.

Former cyclo-cross champion Boom, who rides for Rabobank, completed the race against the clock in a time of 6min 18sec to keep Astana veteran Alexandre Vinokourov of Kazakhstan in second place by two seconds.

Britain's Bradley Wiggins, one of several top names hoping to use the eight day race as a crucial warm-up for the Tour de France next month, was third at five seconds adrift for Team Sky.

## Afridi returns home hoping for 'justice'



KARACHI (AFP) - Thousands of cheering fans greeted former Pakistan captain Shahid Afridi as he returned home on Sunday hoping to "get justice" in his battle with the country's cricket authorities.

The 31-year-old's attempts to join Hampshire for the English Twenty20 season were halted when the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) revoked his permission to play following his decision to retire from international cricket last week.

Around 3,000 fans gathered at Karachi's international airport in support of the all-rounder, chanting slogans against the PCB and its chairman Ijaz Butt.

"I will decide on my future course of action on Monday after consulting my lawyers and hope to get justice," Afridi told AFP.

Afridi took the abrupt decision to retire in protest after he was replaced as Pakistan's one-day captain last month despite leading the side to the World Cup semi-final earlier this year.

In announcing his retirement, Afridi accused the PCB of mistreating him and vowed not to play under the current set-up of the board, headed by Butt.

The PCB responded by suspending Afridi's contract and revoking the so-called "No-Objection Certificate" that would have allowed him to play for Hampshire in the Twenty20 tournament.

The board also convened a three-man disciplinary committee to deal the case and ordered Afridi to appear before it on June 8.

Afridi said he was never bothered about the captaincy.

"It's not a matter of being replaced as captain, it's a matter of honour," he said.

Since announcing his retirement Afridi has received political support, with opposition Pakistan Muslim League (N) and the Muttahida Qaumi Movement, an ally of the ruling Pakistan People's Party, vowing to support him.



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## Chavez dethrones Zbik for middleweight title



Julio Cesar Chavez, Jr., center, of Mexico poses with his belt along with his father Julio Cesar Chavez, Sr., right, and referee Jack Reiss after defeating Sebastian Zbik of Germany after their WBC World Middleweight title boxing match, this past weekend, in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Mexico's Julio Cesar Chavez Jr dethroned Germany's Sebastian Zbik by majority decision to seize the World Boxing Council middleweight title in a showdown of unbeaten fighters.

Chavez Jr improved to 43-0 with one drawn on judges scores of 115-113 and 116-112 while the third judge scored the bout a 114-114 draw.

Chavez secured his first world title in the same city where his father, a three-division world champion set to be inducted into the Boxing Hall of Fame next week, captured his first world title back in 1984.

"I will have to fight a long time and win many more titles to be the equal of my father," Chavez Jr said.

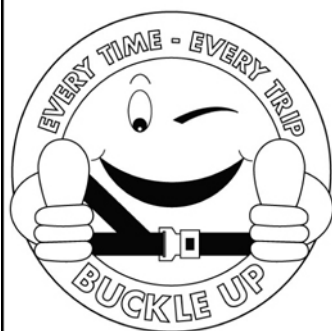
"I would like to win more titles and create an excellent career, but there are no shortcuts or easy roads to victory."

Zbik, in his first pro fight outside Europe, fell to 30-1. He had not fought since last July, when he took a unanimous decision over Argentina's Jorge Sebastian Heiland at Hamburg.

Chavez plans to make the first defense of his crown against Argentine southpaw Sergio Gabriel Martinez, 47-2-2, in October at Las Vegas.

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## Kuester fired as coach of Pistons

DETROIT (AFP) - Four days after buying the NBA's Detroit Pistons, Tom Gores is looking for a new coach.

John Kuester was fired as coach of the Pistons on Sunday after going 57-107 over two seasons in the job, both of which ended without trips to the playoffs.

The Pistons won their third NBA crown in 2004 during a run of six consecu-

tive runs to the playoff semifinals or deeper but slipped to 27-55 in Kuester's first season guiding the club and 30-52 this past season.

"Decisions like this are difficult to make," Pistons president Joe Dumars said. "I want to thank John for his hard work and dedication to the organization over the last two years, however, at this time we have decided to make a change."

"At this time, we do not have a timetable for hiring a successor."

Feuds between players and some with the coach led to a dysfunctional locker room and it showed on the court and in the stands, with spectator support dwindling.

That helped push Karen Davidson into selling the club, although a deal that was first announced in April was not completed until the day of the third game of the NBA Finals.

The Pistons have the eighth pick in the NBA Draft on June 23.

## Wilson dominates as Rangers finish sweep



Texas Rangers fan celebrates the Rangers win over the Indians which swept the four game series CLEVELAND -- C.J. Wilson helped deliver the Rangers' second straight shutout -- and their sixth in 24 games -- with a 2-0 victory over the Indians

on Sunday afternoon at Progressive Field.

Wilson allowed just three hits over 7 2/3 innings in out-pitching Indians starter Mitch Talbot, and the Rangers were able to complete a sweep of the four-game series. The Rangers also finished a 6-1 road trip by winning their last five games. They have won 11 of their last 14 as they prepare to open a three-game set at home against the Tigers beginning Monday.

Wilson's effort followed the shutout pitched by Derek Holland on Saturday. Neftali Feliz pitched a scoreless ninth to help the Rangers

pitching staff lower its ERA to 2.54 over the past 24 games. Texas starters are 12-2 with a 2.36 ERA in that stretch.

Mitch Moreland gave the Rangers a 1-0 lead in the second inning when he hit a home run to straightaway center. Moreland, with his third home run in eight games, reached the Indians' bullpen despite hitting the ball straight into a wind blowing in from center field.

Elvis Andrus led off the third inning with a home run that made it 2-0. Andrus now has three home runs on the season after not hitting any all of last year.

## MLB Standings

### American League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
NY YANKEES	31	23	.574	--
BOSTON	30	26	.536	2.0
TAMPA	29	26	.527	2.5
TORONTO	28	28	.500	4.0
BALTIMORE	25	29	.463	6.0

### Central

CLEVELAND	33	20	.623	--
DETROIT	29	26	.527	5.0
CHICAGO	27	31	.466	8.5
KANSAS	25	30	.455	9.0
MINNESOTA	17	37	.315	16.5

### West

TEXAS	30	26	.536	--
SEATTLE	28	27	.509	1.5
LA ANGELES	29	29	.500	2.0
OAKLAND	27	30	.474	3.5

### National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
PHILADELPHIA	34	22	.607	--
FLORIDA	31	23	.574	2.0
ATLANTA	31	26	.544	3.5
NY METS	25	30	.455	8.5
WASHINGTON	24	31	.436	9.5

### Central

ST. LOUIS	33	24	.579	--
MILWAUKEE	30	26	.536	2.5
CINCINNATI	29	28	.509	4.0
PITTSBURG	26	28	.481	5.5
CHICAGO	23	31	.426	8.5
HOUSTON	22	34	.393	10.5

### West

ARIZONA	31	25	.554	--
SAN FRANCISCO	30	25	.545	0.5
COLORADO	26	29	.473	4.5
LA DODGERS	26	31	.456	5.5
SAN DIEGO	24	32	.429	7.0

## Keselowski takes Kansas



Dale Earnhardt Jr. was charging again, hoping that this time he'd be on top of a frantic late fuel-mileage battle. Leader Brad Keselowski stretched his fuel perfectly, dashing Earnhardt's hopes of snapping his 106-race winless streak while ending his own. Keselowski, driver of the #2 Miller Lite Dodge held off Earnhardt Jr. to win Sunday's NASCAR Sprint Cup race at Kansas Speedway for his first win since taking Talladega 75 races ago.

## 'Maracana firework thrower' declared 'brain dead'

BRASILIA (AFP) - Rosinery Mello do Nascimento, a Brazilian fan who achieved notoriety after triggering the greatest scandal in Chilean football, has been left brain dead at 45, after suffering an aneurysm, her family announced here Sunday.

In 1989 Do Nascimento, then aged 24, attended a Chile v Brazil qualifier for the 1990 World Cup at Rio de Janeiro's Maracana stadium.

During the match she hurled a firework from the stands which landed near Chile's goalkeeper, Roberto Rojas.

The Chile team surrounded their keeper before

quitting the pitch, declaring that Rojas had been injured when the firework exploded. Television pictures however later showed that Rojas's injuries were self-inflicted.

He was subsequently banned for life, and the Chile manager Osvaldo Aravena and team doctor Daniel Rodriguez were also banned from the game.

The incident also cost Chile a place in the 1990 and 1994 World Cup, the country making its World Cup return in France in 1998.

Do Nascimento for her part went on to become a celebrity.

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# Nadal beats brave Federer for sixth French Open



PARIS, France (AFP) - Grand Slam crown and Rafael Nadal won a 10th equalled Bjorn Borg's record

of six French Open titles when he defeated Roger Federer 7-5, 7-6 (7/3), 5-7, 6-1 on Sunday in the rivals' latest epic duel.

Top seed Nadal, who was also champion in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2010, took his overall Paris record to 45 wins against just one defeat and victory also meant he hangs on to his world number one spot.

It was the 25-year-old Spaniard's 17th win over Federer in 25 meetings and fourth in a Roland Garros final.

But unlike the pair's 2008 clash, when Federer managed to win just four games in the most one-sided final in 30 years, Nadal was made to work harder for his sixth Paris title.

He had to come from 2-5 in the opener, saving a set point, and then squandered a 4-2 lead in the third as 29-year-old Federer, the 2009 champion and bidding for a 17th Grand Slam title, threatened to launch a stunning comeback.

In the end, he was undone by a combination of Nadal's

claycourt prowess and his own 56 unforced errors.

"This tournament is really something very special and exceptional for me. One of my biggest dreams has come true. I'm very moved right now," said Nadal after his sixth win in eight Grand Slam finals against Federer.

"Thanks to all the fans. Thanks to all the ones who make this tournament the best in the world and thanks to my family who travel with me and make it all possible.

"We played a good match today. Roger played fantastic."

Federer, playing in his first Grand Slam final since winning the 2010 Australian Open, praised the Spaniard.

"It was an exceptional performance by Rafa. He's beaten me again. I'm sad but I am happy to play him," said Federer.

"He is the best player on clay but I am proud of the way I have played over the last two weeks but I couldn't do enough against him. It was important to get into another Grand Slam final."

## Argentina slump again in friendly

WARSAW (AFP) - Sergio Batista has much to ponder after his experimental Argentina side went down to a friendly loss in Poland on Sunday, losing 2-1 hot on the heels of a 4-1 thumping by Nigeria.

Batista has yet to come up with a formula less than a month out from the start of the Copa America, which this summer is on home soil.

Adrian Mierzejewski and Pawel Brozek got the goals for sandwiching an effort from Marco Ruben just after the interval.

At least Ruben's goal on his debut was a bright point for the albiceleste, who are reshuffling their pack after the departure of Diego Maradona following a World Cup which started well but ended in a quarter-final thumping by Germany.

After the nightmare in Nigeria, Batista made seven changes and elected Ruben, Jonathan Cristaldo and Pablo Piatti.

But even if Batista can point to the fact that only two Copa America starters - Pablo Zabaleta and Ezequiel Garay - featured in what was essentially a B team, another defeat will not have done much for morale.

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